

CLAIMS

What is claimed is:

- 1 1. A portable device, comprising:
2 a storage unit; and
3 a control unit communicatively coupled to the storage unit, the control unit
4 to determine whether configuration of the portable device is desired, request
5 configuration information in response to determining that configuration is desired, and
6 receive the requested configuration information.
- 1 2. The portable device of claim 1, wherein the control unit further initializes
2 the portable device using at least a portion of the configuration information.
- 1 3. The portable device of claim 1, wherein the control unit to determine
2 whether configuration is desired comprises the control unit to detect an indication to
3 upgrade the configuration of the portable device.
- 1 4. The portable device of claim 1, wherein the control unit establishes a
2 communication link with a remote device to receive the configuration information.
- 1 5. The portable device of claim 1, wherein the control unit stores the
2 configuration information in a storage unit.
- 1 6. The portable device of claim 1, wherein the control unit receives at least
2 one of an operating system, protocol stack layer, and application layer of the portable
3 device.

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1 7. The portable device of claim 1, wherein the control unit determines
2 whether restoration of the portable device to an operation state is desired.

1 8. A method, comprising:
2 determining if configuration of a portable device is desired;
3 executing one or more instructions on the portable device to receive
4 configuration information in response to determining that configuration of the portable
5 device is desired; and
6 storing the received configuration information in the portable device.

1 9. The method of claim 8, further comprising initializing the portable device
2 with at least a portion of the received configuration information.

1 10. The method of claim 8, comprising establishing a wireless connection
2 with a remote device, transmitting a unique identifier associated with the portable device,
3 and receiving configuration information from the remote device associated with the
4 unique identifier.

1 11. The method of claim 8, wherein determining if configuration is desired
2 comprises detecting an indication to reconfigure the portable device.

1 12. The method of claim 8, wherein storing the received configuration
2 information comprises storing at least one of an operating system, protocol stack, and
3 application layer of the portable device.

13. An article comprising one or more machine-readable storage media containing instructions that when executed enable a processor to:

request configuration information from a remote device;
store the configuration information in response to requesting the
configuration information; and
configure a portable device using the configuration information.

14. The article of claim 13, wherein the instructions when executed enable the processor to request configuration information in response to detecting an indication to reconfigure the portable device.

15. The article of claim 13, wherein the instructions when executed enable the processor to transmit a unique identifier associated with the portable device and receive the configuration information associated with the unique identifier.

16. The article of claim 13, wherein the instructions when executed enable the processor to initialize the portable device using at least a portion of the configuration information.

17. The article of claim 13, wherein the instructions when executed enable the processor to store information to upgrade the configuration of the portable device.

18. The article of claim 13, wherein the instructions when executed enable the processor to store at least one of an operating system, protocol stack, and application layer of the portable device.

19. A wireless phone, comprising:
a storage unit; and
a control unit communicatively coupled to the storage unit, the controller to detect an indication to reconfigure the wireless phone, request reconfiguration

5 information, store the reconfiguration information in the storage unit, and initialize the
6 wireless phone with the reconfiguration information.

1 20. The wireless phone of claim 19, wherein the control unit receives the
2 reconfiguration information from a remote device over a wireless link.

21. The wireless phone of claim 19, wherein the control unit requests reconfiguration information associated with a serial number of the wireless phone.

1 22. The wireless phone of claim 19, wherein the control unit initializes the
2 wireless phone with an earlier version of the reconfiguration information.

23. A wireless phone of claim 19, wherein the control unit stores at least one of an operating system, protocol stack, and application layer of the wireless phone.

1 24. A method, comprising:
2 receiving an indication to reconfigure the wireless phone;
3 requesting reconfiguration information from a remote device based in
4 response to receiving the indication; and
5 storing the reconfiguration information in a storage unit of the wireless
6 phone.

1 25. The method of claim 24, further comprising initializing the wireless phone
2 using at least a portion of the reconfiguration information.

1 26. The method of claim 25, wherein storing the reconfiguration information
2 further comprises receiving the reconfiguration information over a wireless link.

1 27. The method of claim 24, wherein storing the reconfiguration information
2 comprises storing reconfiguration information associated with an earlier version of at
3 least one of an operating system, protocol stack, and application layer.

1 28. The method of claim 24, wherein requesting the reconfiguration
2 information comprises transmitting a unique identifier associated with the wireless
3 phone.

1 29. A system, comprising:
2 a storage unit to store configuration information associated with a portable
3 device; and
4 a control unit communicatively coupled to the system, the controller to
5 receive a request to transmit the configuration information to the portable device in
6 response to receiving the request.

1 30. The system of claim 29, wherein the control unit identifies configuration
2 information associated with a unique identifier associated with the portable device and
3 transmits the identified configuration information to the portable device.

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